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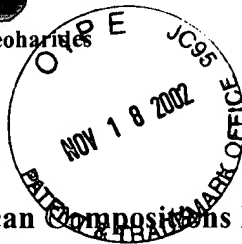
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Title: Synergistic Proteoglycan Compositions For Inflammatory Conditions

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APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION. NOTE: A grantable petition requires the following items:

- (1) Petition fee;
- (2) Reply and/or issue fee;
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee--required for all utility and plant applications filed before June 8, 1995, and for all design applications; and
- (4) Adequate showing of the cause of unavoidable delay

1. Petition fee

☐ small entity fee \$ 55.00 (37 CFR 1.17(l) Applicant claims small entity status.

☐ other than small entity fee \$ .(37 CFR 1.17(1)).

2. Reply and/or fee

A. The reply and/or fee to the above-noted Office Action in the form of An Amendment  
(Identify the type of reply)

☒ has been filed previously on May 15, 2002 (copy enclosed)

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**3. Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee**

☒ Since this utility/plant application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.

☐ A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20(d)) of \$ for a small entity of \$-

for other than a small entity) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith (see PTO/SB/63).

4. An adequate showing of the cause of the delay, and that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(a) was unavoidable, is enclosed.

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Date: November 14, 2002

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Enclosures: ☒ Fee Payment  
☒ Reply

☐ Terminal Disclaimer Form  
☐ Additional sheets containing statements establishing unavoidable delay

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being:

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**NOTE: The following showing of the cause of unavoidable delay must be signed by all applicants or by any other party who is presenting statements concerning the cause of delay.**



Date: November 14, 2002

Signature

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Melvin Blecher", written over a horizontal line.

Typed or printed name Dr. Melvin Blecher

(In the space provided below, please explain in detail the reasons for the delay in filing a proper reply)

*(Please attach additional sheets if additional space is necessary)*

In response to an Office Action dated 03/27/2002, on 05/15/2002 I timely filed an Amendment pursuant to 37 CFR 1.111. As is the standard practice of this office for hand deliveries, the Amendment was filed on 05/15/2002 in the "Lawyer's Window" at the Mail Room of the Patent Office by a professional courier, Mr. Peter H. Bunnell. Enclosed is a copy my office's check to Mr. Bunnell for this courier service.

Also enclosed is a Statement from Mr. Bunnell attesting to the fact that he recalls filing the Amendment in the Patent Office on 05/15/2002. In support of this Statement, I enclose a copy of Mr. Bunnell's Trip Docket showing that he filed the Amendment in the Patent Office at 2:50 PM, and that the mail clerk, a Maria Asfaw, signed the Trip Docket as proof of delivery. Coincidentally, Mr. Bunnell filed another paper for me in the Trademark Office the same day at 2:59 PM.; this also appears on the Trip Docket.

Mr. Bunnell states also that he mailed the date-stamped receipt post card on the same day. However, this post card did not reach my office, which is not unusual these days.

The copy of the enclosed Amendment as filed also shows the date on which the Amendment was hand delivered by me to Mr. Bunnell for delivery.